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As a kick off to Black History Month, Voices of Praise, a campus ministry group, sponsored "Gospel 2001 Extravaganza" on Sunday night, Feb. 4, in Dodd Auditorium. The ten groups that performed at the event turned Dodd Auditorium into a makeshift church complete with prayer and declarations of love for God. The tribute to black history continued with the Gwendolyn Brooks tribute held in the Great Hall on Tuesday, Feb. 6.

Despite the turnout of over 250 people at the gospel celebration, Jones was disappointed with what she felt was a lack of campus support. The auditorium was mostly filled with local residents.

"I wish more of the Mary Washington College community could have been there," Jones said. "It's okay for them to come out and support us."

Alonda Etheridge, historian for Voices of Praise and one of the night's performers, said she was not discouraged by the low number of students in the audience.

"The lack of Mary Washington students did not put a damper on things. I was glad that we had choirs from James Madison and University of Virginia represented," Etheridge said. "The turnout was very encouraging."

The program featured an array of talent ranging from interpretive dance to traditional gospel choirs. Other acts included bluesy instrumental music, sign language and solo performances.

Walter L. Baker Jr., director of The

Anointed Voices of Third Mount Zion Baptist Church, began the night's festivities with a buoyant "Praise the Lord, everybody!" and directed his choir in three numbers. While directing, Baker broke into dance routines, sang along with the choir, and worked up a sweat.

As he worked to energize the crowd, Baker told the audience, "You know if you ain't sweatin', there's somethin' wrong!"

Baker said he was grateful for his friends and family in attendance. "I was born and raised in this area," he said, "so most of the people here know me, my mom, or my aunt."

Gloria Baker, his mother, works as a housekeeper at Mary Washington College, while Baker's aunt, Roberta Rollins, is an employee at the Eagles Nest.

The second performance of the night brought tears to the eyes of audience members. Kimberly Tate, director of the Children's Church of God and Prophecy, choreographed a piece that involved nine children ranging from the ages of seven to 12. Using sign language, the children interpreted the prerecorded song "Now and Behold the Lamb."

Sister Williams, the mistress of ceremony, said, "The spirit of God truly lives in these children."

Etheridge's performance was an interpretive "Praise Dance" to singing group Mary Mary's "Can't Give Up Now." According to Etheridge the theme of the song correlated with the night's message.

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rope, look at where God has brought you. He's brought you this far. Don't give up now," she said.

Junior Emily Seay attended the event and said it was enlightening.

"The experience allowed me to see just how strong the black community is. Gospel music is not only amazing, but it sends a positive message as well," she said.

Positive messages continued into the week with a poetry tribute to Gwendolyn Brooks. Carmen Gillespie, assistant professor of English, facilitated the event and decorated the Great Hall where the tribute was held.

Dim lights, lit candles and a serene atmosphere transformed the Great Hall into

what seemed like a coffee shop amateur night.

Students and teachers alike contributed to the event by sharing original poetry and reading some of Brooks' own work and the work of other poets.

Tammi Malloy, a mother of three, carried her baby to the podium with her and read "Strong Woman" by Marge Piercy. Malloy said the poem seemed appropriate to her.

"I thought it spoke to the legacy of Gwendolyn Brooks," Malloy said.

Some students, like junior Jen Hossli, composed their own poetry. Hossli said she was inspired by the work of Andre

Louder's poem "Power," and composed her own piece entitled "My Power." Hossli said she feels the piece speaks to the message that Brooks was sending her readers.

"Having read ['Power'], it was about social injustice, so I wanted to translate that into the justice of our time, with kids getting shot, and the like," Hossli said. "'Power' was read in the spirit of Brooks' own work against social injustice."

Gillespie said that Brooks' death last December was a tremendous loss for the American literary community. She was happy that so many people attended the tribute to honor Brooks' memory.

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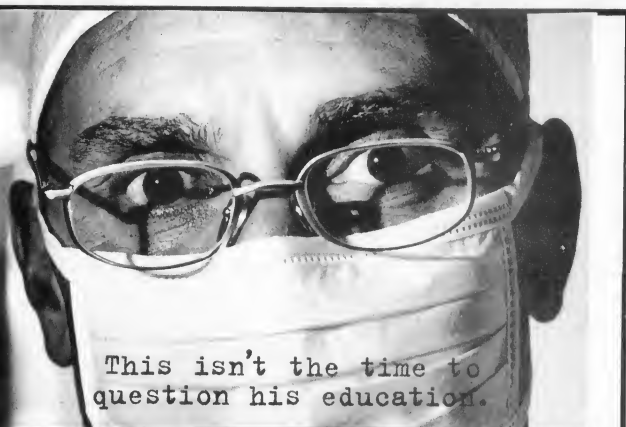
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A federal appeals court Monday found that Napster, the popular online music provider, violated copyright laws by allowing its 50 million users to swap music for free. But, the court said that a lower court's injunction ordering the service to shut down was too broad. Napster can stay in business until the lower court retails its injunction.

## Eminem, Elton John To Team Up At Grammys

Controversial rapper Eminem and openly gay pop diva Elton John are slated to perform a duet at the Grammy Awards on Feb. 21. John told the Los Angeles Times that despite what many see as homophobia and misogyny in Eminem's lyrics, he does not consider Eminem to be hateful. Eminem, whose lyrics include references to "fags," fantasies about raping his own mother and jokes about domestic violence, is nominated for three Grammy Awards.

## DNA Evidence Exonerates Man Sentenced To Die

Earl Washington Jr. walked out of prison a free man Monday morning, four months after DNA evidence cleared him of any wrongdoing in the 1982 rape and murder of a Culpeper, Va. woman. Washington, who had come within five days of being executed, is mildly mentally retarded and will live at a Virginia Beach apartment house run by a support center for mentally disabled people.

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Variety magazine reported this week that UPN is planning a television show casting cross-dressing superstar RuPaul as a transvestite entertainer who takes a nanny job to pay the bills. His character is the most down-to-earth of a wildly dysfunctional family. Mort Nathan, whose credits include "The Golden Girls," is writing the pilot for the show, which is tentatively titled "The Tranny."

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When Dr. Stuart Meloy placed an electrode on a patient's back to ease her chronic back pain, the patient groaned—not in pain but in delight—and told the doctor, "You're going to have to teach my husband how to do that." Reuters reported. Meloy patented the unexpected use for the device and is now trying to talk the Minneapolis-based company that makes the spinal cord stimulator into testing and marketing the device as an orgasm-inducing machine.

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similar projects with San Diego State University and Iowa State University, will be using three different methods to measure student opinions and reactions about their current living situation and the proposed changes in residence halls. In addition to randomly stopping people on campus walk to talk with them, Brailford & Dunlavey will put into effect an electronic survey open to all students starting around Feb. 20. As an incentive for students to take part in the survey, prizes, which may include such rewards as CD burners, will be drawn for participants.

The firm will also be hosting several focus group sessions throughout the day on Feb. 16. In order to address the wide range of student interests, groups will be broken into different categories. One group of current first-year students, two groups of mixed residential students, one group of off-campus students and one group of resident assistants will take part in the project. The sessions are open to all Mary Washington College students.

"We need as much participation as possible. I know students at Mary Washington treasure the opportunity to participate in their campus life. This is a really great way to do just that," Porter said.

Although their main focus will revolve around on-campus living situation, Brailford & Dunlavey will also analyze off-campus housing conditions and availability.

"The need for an in-depth look at the off-campus housing market is definitely there," Porter said.

Last Thursday in the Tan Room of

the Campus Center, Caroline Jarvis, senior and president of the Commuting Student Association, coordinated an off-campus living fair that included representatives from Snowden Village, Greengraben and Apartment Finders, a free apartment locator service.

"There has been a lot of animosity and miscommunication between the administration and students, and I think the new residence life policy will scare people away from living on-campus," Jarvis said. "And the administration wants people to live on-campus. They have worked hard to foster a good on-campus community."

Jarvis, who lives off-campus, said she is worried about those displaced students that may be left without housing. She said that events like the fair are a way of reaching out to those students.

"In the SGA executive cabinet we are really concerned with the threat people are facing to get housing for this next year," Jarvis said. "The idea to do the fair has been tossed around for quite some time. This fair was the brainchild of a lot of people."

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# Viewpoints

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## Locked Out

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And for the most part, the administration doesn't seem to be concerned. Administrators still urge students to stay on campus and still instruct Washington guides to distribute misinformation to students touring the college about the college's housing situation.

As has been argued on this page many times before, the real solution to the problem is capping, and even reversing, the recent trend of the ever-burgeoning size of incoming freshman classes.

But in the short-run, a better solution is needed. One option is to have the college open an office or have part of residence life devoted to helping students find off-campus housing. Housing fairs with a few apartment complexes offering information about what they have to offer don't cut it—especially when the group sponsoring the fair can't even publicize the correct time of the fair. Instead, the college should devote some effort to helping make sure students can find an affordable place to live convenient to campus.

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The record industry scored a major victory this week in its fight to shut down Napster when a federal appellate court found that the popular online music provider violates recording artists' intellectual property rights by allowing its 50 million users to swap copyrighted songs for free.

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## Morality Of Fetal Pig Dissection Questioned

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Fetal pig dissections should not be a mandatory component of the introductory level biology courses here at Mary Washington College.

I do not deny that many students can learn about anatomy through the procedure, but I do contest the idea that it is the only way for students to learn about anatomy.

I protest the biology department's decision demanding that students participate and maintain that it is immoral to threaten students with reductions in their final grades if they do not compromise their personal beliefs, and therefore their personal honor, to participate in an exercise to which they may be ethically or religiously opposed.

Not only is there question as to how much a student may actually learn about real life anatomy by dissecting a preserved and artificially colored specimen, but these carcasses can only be used once, expose students to formaldehyde, a known carcinogen, and last year cost the college \$22 apiece.

Do the bodies of fetal pigs really provide a better way for students to

learn about anatomy than a well prepared, reusable model or similar teaching tool? And if so, is that advantage great enough to counterbalance the aforementioned drawbacks and to justify the death of a living creature? The biology department says yes, however many students, including myself, disagree.

To participate in dissection is also to financially support the pork industry, an industry which is cruel to animals, consumes a disproportionately large amount of natural resources and agricultural yields and pollutes the environment, arguably to the point of causing algal blooms and subsequent red tides and fish kills in our waterways.

I choose not to support the pork industry through my diet and should not be forced to support it through my pursuit of knowledge.

In addition, many students have dissected fetal pigs in high school, already reaping any of the benefits that may come from the exercise. There is, however, no exception made for students who have already performed this dissection.

I, for instance, had a relatively experienced background in dissection before coming to Mary Washington College, and therefore considered it all the more wasteful for me to take part, for a second time, in an activity which demands the death of one vertebrate

organism for every two students who participate.

The biology department defends its policy by pointing to the biology 121-122 syllabus, which states that dissection is required for the class and that students opposed to dissection should choose another science course to fulfill their general education requirement.

This statement does not take into account students who need the course for their majors (biology 121-122 is a prerequisite for courses in both the biology and environmental science programs), and denies other students opposed to dissection the freedom to study the life sciences outside of their major.

The college's Statement of Community Values speaks of personal integrity, the right of every individual to be treated with dignity and respect at all times, acceptance and appreciation of diversity and the freedom of intellectual inquiry in the pursuit of truth. How does the college's stance on dissection compare with those ideas?

Students enrolled in biology 121-122 should be given options that allow them to advance their learning without sacrificing their personal convictions. These options might include the use of models, computer programs or exemption upon demonstration of knowledge of anatomy.

It is unethical for this institute of higher learning to penalize and exclude students because of their ethical moral, or religious beliefs. To do so does injustice to the students, the college and the Commonwealth of Virginia. Mary Washington College should do away with its policy of mandatory fetal pig dissections in its introductory level biology courses.

Lawton J. Clites is a sophomore.



## Letters to the Editor

### Less 'Ballance' Needed

Editor:

Wow. That's really all I have to say. I just read J. Tyler Ballance's piece on how Mary Washington is so politically correct. What most struck me was his attitude on the "extinction of Americans."

Ballance claims that because women are pursuing careers instead of families, only 25 percent of women will bear a child and that "most births in the United States will be from the least educated women." I had not realized that the next generation of women had chosen to "go barren," and I was concerned when Ballance asked if my career will be there to hold my hand on my deathbed. What excellent points.

I am ashamed to admit that instead of getting a top-notch education and expanding my options

for a fulfilling life, I should have been having babies.

Unfortunately, my parents did not teach me that breeding was my main function in life.

I am confused. If I do what Ballance suggests—having babies and making sure that I have done my part to populate America—how am I supposed to have a career and an education?

If Ballance worries that soon only uneducated women will have babies, but he discourages women from making their careers priorities...well, I'm just not sure how I am supposed to do both.

Katherine Packard  
Junior

### Bistro 623 Sabotaged

Editor:

The day after Jenna Frye's great review of our downtown restaurant

("An Epicurean's Delight," Feb. 1) we awoke to find our beloved sign missing. Two scenarios play out in our minds: the first...kidnapping, the second...road trip.

We turn to the vast resources of fine students of Mary Washington College to assist us in determining our sign's fate.

Although we are offering a reward for its eventual return, we hope that in the meantime we will receive proof of its safety in the form of entertaining photographs, letters or postcards from the many places it visits in town and beyond.

623's entire staff and faithful customers await word of your travel adventures, after all, we never get a break.

Salvador Del Rosario and  
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## Students To Clinton: Thanks For That Style

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In response to the guest column in last week's edition of The Bulletin by Professor Tom Moeller ("Professor To Reagen: Thank You," Feb. 8) concerning the presidency of Ronald Reagan, we thought it would be appropriate to look at the persona of another former president, William Jefferson Clinton. This will not be an analysis of policies or things left done or undone during his administration, but a focus on what is really important: the man himself.

Upon his rise to political notoriety Clinton displayed a great deal of personality and talent unseen in any previous president. This talent first became apparent to the American public when he appeared on the Arsenio Hall show playing a saxophone while sporting sunglasses. This was definitely an attribute that the public grabbed onto and may have helped him win the presidency.

Clinton also displayed his excellent taste in music with his selection of Fleetwood Mac's "Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow" as his campaign song. This selection also helped reunite and revive the band, much the way he revived the economy.

The Presidential Physical Fitness award was given new meaning with the constant jogging of Clinton during his term in office. These runs became notable for not only the chubby president exercising, but also for his frequent stops at fast-food establishments, which showed his connection to the general public and its ritual of eating healthy. Another interesting aspect of these jogs was the fashion sense that the president displayed with his matching sweat ensembles.

MTV's "Choose or Lose" campaign was strengthened by Clinton's appearance in which he was asked whether he wore "boxers or briefs." He here displayed his political savvy by pleasing both the boxer and brief constituencies with his neutral response.

Clinton also showed that he had great taste in picking associates, as in the McDouglahs and the man with two last names: Vernon Jordan. He also showed that his relationships went beyond the boardroom and onto the links, where pictures of Clinton steering a golf cart occasionally graced the frontpage of the Washington Post.

Many Web sites were spawned from Clinton's love for the lesser of creatures. Socks fan sites cluttered the World Wide Web and Buddy captivated audiences with his romps through Whitehouse lawns.

Never before had so much attention been devoted to the scalp of a president then as it was during Clinton's term in office. One notable attention grabber was when he allegedly delayed a flight so he could get a price haircut on the runway of LAX.

If one thing alone could represent the legacy of the former president it would be in the uniqueness of his daughter, name and 'n'. The generation of college age youths grew up with Chelsea and with this we really had a connection to our president.

One more thing to consider about the legacy of Bill Clinton is the question "who else could make Al Gore look cool?"

Matt Wright and Travis Morgan are seniors.

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Variety magazine reported this week that UPN is planning a television show casting cross-dressing superstar RuPaul as a transvestite entertainer who takes a nanny job to pay the bills. His character is the most down-to-earth of a wildly dysfunctional family. Mont Nathan, whose credits include "The Golden Girls," is writing the pilot for the show, which is tentatively titled "The Tranny."

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As we exited Central Station in Amsterdam, we were in awe of our surroundings. The bumpy, uneven, cobblestone streets were still fairly empty, but a large area directly to the left of the station was filled, handbar to handbar, with old, worn-out bikes circa the early 1900s.

Using the "Let's Go" book as our guide, we meandered past the long, narrow canals, the famed red light district, the infamous coffee shops, and eventually found our destination, the Anne Frank House.

For the next hour, we walked through the tiny space where Anne Frank and her family hid from the Nazis until the family's capture in 1944. The house was made into a museum, but the rooms remained hauntingly preserved.

Later in the afternoon, after walking in circles and trying to read the small, printed street names on our travel book's map of Central Amsterdam, Nicole and I finally sat down in the lounge of Hotel My Home, our hostel for the evening.

Because we were flying out of Amsterdam, Nicole and I decided we would travel for 12 days and then spend our last two days back in the Netherlands.

## Belgium

Thursday morning we got to the train station and had our Eurorail passes validated.

The train station in Bruges was small, but Nicole quickly spotted a sign for a nearby hostel. She left me with the bags and returned a few minutes later, excited that the poster indicated which bus to take.

Despite the dreary weather, the walk from the bus stop to our hostel was incredible.

The cars were tiny, the windmills were perched atop short, grassy hills, and the houses lining the streets looked like they came straight out of a fairy tale.

With its rustic bar and comfortable atmosphere, the restaurant attached to the hostel we stayed at in Bruges resembled a ski lodge.

We got the cheapest room, a 12 person dorm, but only had to share it with one other person.

From Bruges we traveled to Brussels, where we spent the next two days and two evenings.

The hostel we stayed in was exactly what I had thought all hostels would look like. From the single-sex floors to the old, brown, wooden bunk beds, I could easily have awoken thinking that I was back living in a college dorm.

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Photo courtesy of Maryellen Ferro

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the desk collected our money and asked us to fill out the forms she needed in order to issue us a key to the room.

After reading over our receipts, the woman looked up and in a slow but high pitched voice said, "Ah, you are from the Reston virus."

I didn't immediately know what she was referring to, but as I remembered the monkey house in Reston, Va. that held the Ebola virus, I got nervous and started trying to reassure her we were OK.

"Yeah, we are," I said, "but its not there now and it never contaminated any humans or anything. It's safe there, I promise."

## France

As we walked through the underground tunnels of the subway system, we overheard a group of four girls talking about the Three Ducks hotel. After a few minutes of speaking with the girls, the brunette admitted that they had been trying unsuccessfully to

get out of Paris for three days.

They were reluctant to go back to the hostel because everyone who worked there knew the reason they kept missing their 9:45 a.m. train. They were always too hung over to get to the station.

If I had bothered to look at the room before we paid, I would not have stayed there anyway. It wasn't very convenient that the port-a-potty style bathrooms were outside across the courtyard and the weather in Paris was freezing.

Over the course of the next two days, we made it to the Eiffel tower, Louvre, Notre-Dame Cathedral, Pere-Lachaise Cemetery, Picasso Museum and the famous Shakespeare and Co. bookstore.

We were now about half way through our trip and finally, on our second night in Paris, stayed at a nice hostel with the first clean bathrooms we had seen in a week.

The shower itself was so small I barely had room to move, but the hot water that fell down my back and collected around my ankles was just what I needed.

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Nicole and I arrived in Switzerland late on Tuesday night. Since I had lived in Switzerland for three years when I was little, every second of the next day was intense.

Nicole had to endure me stopping every few minutes to pick up a piece of candy I had loved or to tell a story about some random memory.

The best part of the day was returning to my old house and elementary school and seeing that nothing had changed.

The hedges in front of our townhouse may have been bigger and the farm house across the street may have looked more run down, but it could have been yesterday that I lived there.

We left Basel, Switzerland Wednesday night to take an overnight train to Florence.

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**Cancer** - This is a great time to spice up your partnership and indulge in some of your fantasies. If you are waiting for a special someone, it may help to get out with people who share your more bizarre interests.

**Leo** - Romance should blossom as long as you don't try to dominate the scene. Don't get pushy. Let the force of your charming personality do all of this for you.

**Virgo** - You will have to be a little more encouraging if you want to make a hit with someone special this week.

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# Cleetus The Custis Canine

By TAMMIE WILLIS  
Staff Writer

Cleetus, a resident of Custis Hall, wakes up each morning, and, like most of Mary Washington College residents, begins to prepare for a hectic day of classes, meetings, long study sessions and important social gatherings.

Instead of searching out a source of caffeine to counter the effects of a late night or disappearing into the bathroom to fix a bad case of bed head, Cleetus goes outside, finds the nearest tree and hikes his leg.

Since losing his hearing six years ago, Cleetus has been my hearing dog, and, as such, he is granted the privileges of a service dog. Service animals provide assistance to an individual with a disability and increases that individual's independence.

The Americans with Disabilities Act gives service dogs the right to reside with their owners regardless of pet policies, to enter any public place, including restaurants, and to travel freely by car, plane, boat or train.

The residents of Custis Hall have affectionately given Cleetus, a 100-pound border collie mix, the title, "The Custis Canine." A more fitting name would probably be "The Campus Canine" since he is the only four-legged creature of the canine persuasion allowed to reside on campus.

Junior Tricia Pifko said having Cleetus on campus is a great.

"I think it's great that the school has allowed Cleetus to go everywhere, especially places like Eagles Nest, where animals are not usually allowed," Pifko said.

It is important to note that Cleetus works hard for these privileges. On duty 24 hours a day, he listens for the sounds I can't hear and tells me about them.

He informs me when someone is at my telephone is on door and when my ringing. He also leads me out of my apartment when the fire alarm goes off, keeps me from getting hit by cars and prevents people from sneaking up behind me.

He makes sure I wake up when my alarm clock goes off and lets me know when someone is trying to get my attention.

He does all this for two cans of dog food a day.

Cleetus moved on campus with me when I accepted a position as resident director with the Office of Residence Life and Housing last August.

Since then, he has been a regular attendee in my classes. Frank Mullen, an adjunct music professor, said Cleetus is more well-behaved than even some of his students.

"The most surprising aspect of Cleetus' presence in my classroom is how unobtrusive it is," Mullen said. "In fact, as a regular attendee at the history of jazz, this service dog sets an example that many of his classmates would do well to follow."

As part of his training, Cleetus has been taught to lay quietly while I attend class, meetings and other activities that require my full attention.

This means that Cleetus has had to learn to distinguish between situations in which he needs to alert me to sounds and when alerting me to sound can be disruptive or distracting.

Pifko has shared classes with Cleetus since last August.

"He's never any sort of disruption or disturbance in class," Pifko said. "Rather, he usually provides everyone with a nice hello and then lays down and stays quiet."

With two exceptions, Cleetus has remained true to his training. Last semester, he got stuck under a piano bench during electronic music and made a bit of a ruckus trying to get unstuck.

This semester, during the history of jazz, Mullen was tapping his hands on his legs to demonstrate a lesson on rhythm when Cleetus mistook Mullen's demonstration as a signal that he wanted to pet him.

Cleetus' confusion is easy to understand since hand tapping is a gestural cue that tells Cleetus he is supposed to come.

Because Cleetus is the only dog on campus, people tend to pet him.

This is problematic because petting sessions distract Cleetus from his job and can actually undo some of his training.

An easy way to distinguish between when he is working and when he is not working is by his leash. When he is tethered to a bright orange leash, the color that signifies he is a hearing dog, he is working. When he is not wearing his leash, he is off duty.

Many residents like Allison Hamilton, a Custis hall resident assistant, feel that Cleetus has contributed to a sense of community within the buildings.

"He's the most popular boy in the building, and all he has to do is lay around and have his butt scratched," she said.

However, even when Cleetus is enjoying the attention he receives during his off-duty hours, he is still working. Through his interactions with students, he has educated people about the role of service dogs.

"Before meeting Cleetus, I did not know that hearing dogs existed," Pifko said. "I thought they only had service dogs to help the blind or those with serious physical disabilities."

Through the questions people ask about his role as a service dog, I have been able to share my experiences and increase people's awareness of the challenges I face because of my deafness. As people recognize how he has helped me overcome many of those challenges, they see that he is more than a just a dog to pet.

"Cleetus provides his companion [with] the ability to participate fully in the challenges of academic life," Mullen said.



Tammie Willis takes Cleetus, her service dog, for a walk before returning to Custis Hall.

To learn more about service animals, check out these Web sites:

Canine Companions for Independence:  
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# 'There's No Place Like Home'

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What happens after college? How are you going to apply the skills you've learned?

This question is pressing in on about a quarter of the college right now. For Greta Franklin, who graduated from Mary Washington College last May, the road to the future is being shaped by her college in more ways than one.

She accepted a job directly related to her interests, for which she was also perfectly prepared.



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As the Mary Washington Multicultural Affairs student counselor, Franklin is providing a link of understanding between the administration and the students.

"People used to joke, 'Where's Greta going?'" Franklin said. "Oh, she's going home." And they would mean the Multicultural Center, because I was always here."

Titus Pope, a freshman student aide at the Multicultural Center, said Franklin is a whiz at dealing with her staff.

"She's helpful when it comes to dealing with people's problems," Pope said. "Greta is our... our trash can, if you will. We just throw all our trash on her, and she just keeps moving."

During her four years as an undergraduate, Franklin was involved with the Multicultural Center, Women of Color, the Black History Month Committee, as well as a number of other student minority clubs and organizations.

"I didn't realize how being involved was preparing me for this job," Franklin said.

Starting from her second semester freshman year, she had centered her life around the many campus niches of diversity, such as the Islamic Student Association, the Asian Student Association, the Brothers of a New Direction, the Hispanic Student Association

and Women of Color.

"I really liked Women of Color, because it allowed me to plan events that would not only educate the student body, but educate me as well," Franklin said.

Ameeta Vashee, assistant dean of the multicultural center, is pleased to have been involved in hiring her.

"She brings a very empathetic point of view," Vashee said. "She understands how

central diversity is to any student's experience at Mary Washington." It was through her college contacts that Franklin learned about the new job at the Multicultural Center.

"I never expected to come back, except maybe for the Step Show," Franklin said. "There were pros and cons for me in coming back to Mary Washington. I think everyone wants to move on. But I realized that coming back here was probably a really good thing, because it gave me the chance to do things I really enjoy."

Her contacts and her experience as president of Women of Color also gave her the tools and the impetus to excel at her job.

Franklin single-handedly organized a dozen events for Black History Month for the

college, including the appearance of Nikki Giovanni last Wednesday, the Feb. 17th Step Show, film presentations and lectures, and the "Who Wants to be an Eagle One Millionaire-Black History Trivia" event on Tuesday, Feb. 20th.

"I'm really proud of the celebration at Seacobeck," she said. "In past years, there hasn't been anything, but they were very enthusiastic. It was just a matter of going

to them and suggesting that we do something this year for Black History Month."

Seacobeck is serving a range of foods with an African-American theme today, Thursday Feb. 8, including Caribbean, Southern, and even Ethiopian and Nigerian foods.

As an art history major, Franklin's ultimate goal is to work in an African-American history museum.

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Feb. 28: vs. St. Mary's

### Men's Basketball

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## scores

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Jan. 17: MWC 51 Catholic 61  
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Jan. 22: MWC 81 Villa Julie 66  
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Feb. 05: MWC 68 Apprentice 75

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Feb. 03: MWC 64 York 57

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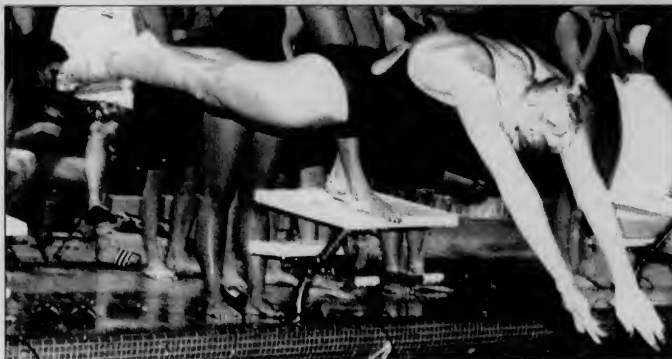
## athlete of the week

### Mike Parker

The senior pitcher opened up the baseball team's season by throwing a one-hitter in a 4-0 win over Dickinson College.

# Equality Of The Sexes

## Men Win CAC's, Women Claim Eleventh Straight Title



The women's swim team won the 4x100 relay in Goolrick Hall over the last weekend. Joel Nelson/Bulletin

By JAMIE BRYAN  
Staff Writer

After bringing home the CAC championship title for the past 10 consecutive years, it should come as no surprise that the Mary Washington women's swim team swept the competition and defended their championship title.

However, they weren't alone in celebrating victory—the men rose to the challenge and swam away with a CAC Championship title of their own.

The CACs occurred this past weekend

at Mary Washington's Goolrick Pool, and the Eagles swam against such schools as second ranked Salisbury State University and third ranked Catholic University.

"The senior men worked hard all year to win this meet and their effort was rewarded," junior Jen Wilson said.

The men have prepared for this meet all year, including a weeklong trip to Florida over winter break to begin their spring training.

On an average day, the team will practice at least two-and-a-half hours, and on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, they have additional one-and-a-half hours

of training in the weight room.

Coming into this season, the men knew they would have a good shot at claiming the title. This year's team only lost two seniors over the summer and had many rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors to help ease the many recruited freshmen into the rigorous routines of collegiate swimming.

Before the meet, the men knew they had a chance to win the championship.

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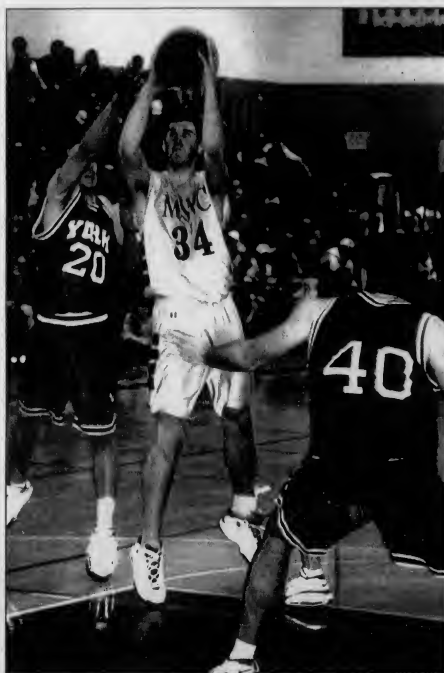
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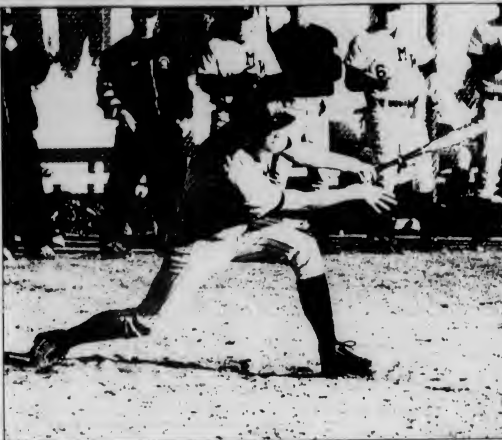
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Nov. 04: at York W 2-1  
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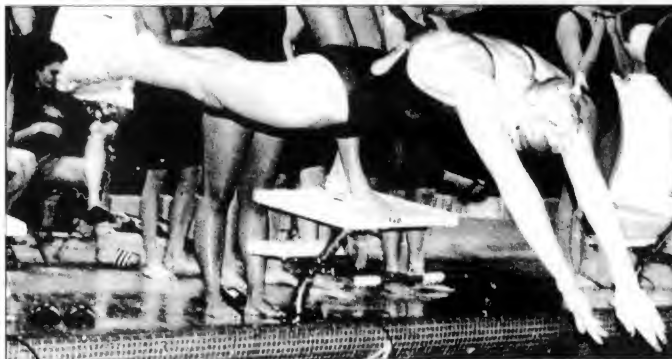
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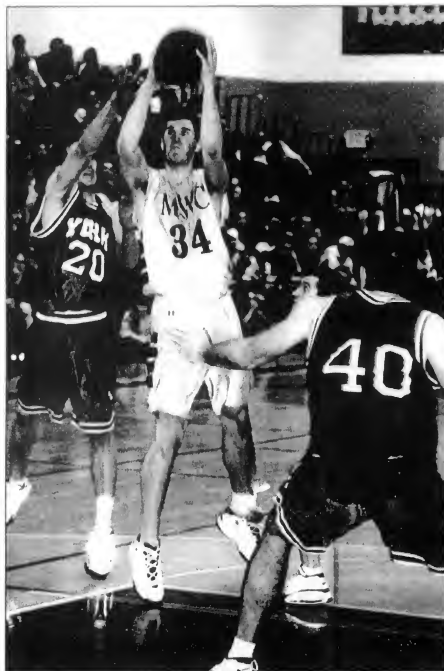
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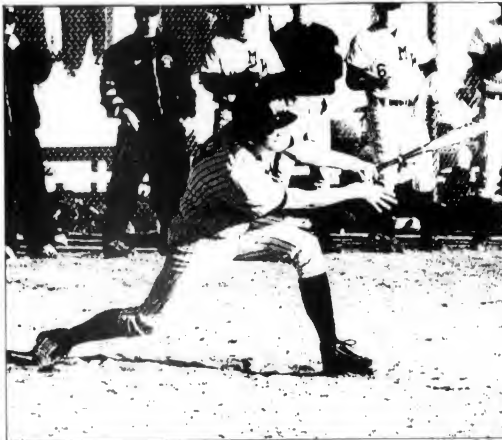
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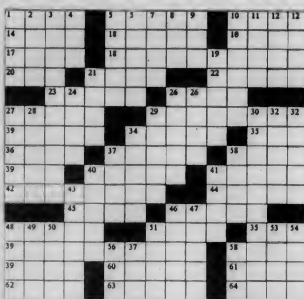
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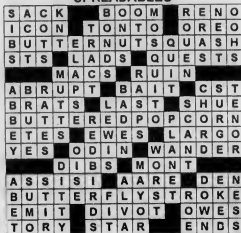
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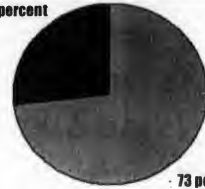
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# Three Faculty Members To Retire Next Year

By KATIE MCNUITY  
Staff Writer

At the start of the coming fall semester, Mary Washington College will find the familiar faces of three well-known, respected professors missing from campus.

Marshall Bowen, distinguished professor of geography, Rosemary Ingham, theatre director of costume and design, and Key Ryang, professor of history, will all be retiring at the end of this semester.

Bowen said he feels very excited about all the free time that he will have once he has retired.

When asked what he was planning on doing he eagerly answered, "Sleeping! Taking some serious naps. I've taught here for 85 years!"

Officially, this will be the end of Bowen's 36th year of teaching at Mary Washington College.

"I really want to enjoy old age. I don't want to wait until I'm too old to enjoy it," Bowen said.

With his newly found free time, Bowen plans to travel, visiting places like Los Angeles and the Yukon Territory. He will also be doing extensive writing and research for the Idaho Historical Society. However, Bowen's face will not completely disappear from Mary Washington College's campus yet because he has agreed to teach one section of geography of eastern North America next semester.

"I do want to stick around for a little bit longer with that one course, and perhaps teach it again the year after that. But we'll wait and see how things go," Bowen said.

Though originally from Providence, R.I., Bowen feels that his roots are now firmly grounded in Fredericksburg.

"We have no plans at the moment of moving anywhere," Bowen said. "My wife is very happy here in the geography department, and unless some amazing opportunity arises for her, we are pretty much grounded in Fredericksburg."

Dawn Bowen, assistant professor of geography, believes her husband's retirement will be a loss to the campus community.

"He has been an integral part of the geography department for more than 30 years and will be sorely missed by students and colleagues alike," she said.

However, Dawn Bowen also said she is excited for her husband's future plans.

"He wants to pursue his research on dryland settlement in the American West, however, he will be back to teach one section of the North American course," Dawn Bowen said.

Junior geography major Corinne Compton said she will fondly miss Marshall Bowen's classes.

"Marshall really brought the material to life for me. He tells a story in his classes, not just dry facts. He is so easy to follow and has never once lost my attention," Compton said. "The geography department is really going to have tough shoes to fill with him leaving."

The theatre department will be missing another talented, committed professor as well. At the conclusion

of her 11th year at Mary Washington College, Rosemary Ingham is retiring from teaching in order to return to her true love of costume design.

Ingham said she has enjoyed her years at Mary Washington College immensely, and she speaks adamantly about her faith in the liberal arts system.

"I have a real commitment to the liberal arts education," Ingham said. "I fear our world is turning into a society of specialists, and I want to fight that the hardest I can fight it."

After retirement, Ingham plans to travel to Utah for the Utah Shakespearean Festival where she will be involved in research for costume design for four months. She also has plans to travel abroad, and China is her number one destination choice. She looks forward to taking time to write and revise a book that is already in progress. In the meantime, Ingham has her hands full with the work that she will be doing as director of Mary Washington College's upcoming performances of "Falling Grace."

Many students on campus have a strong reaction to Ingham leaving.

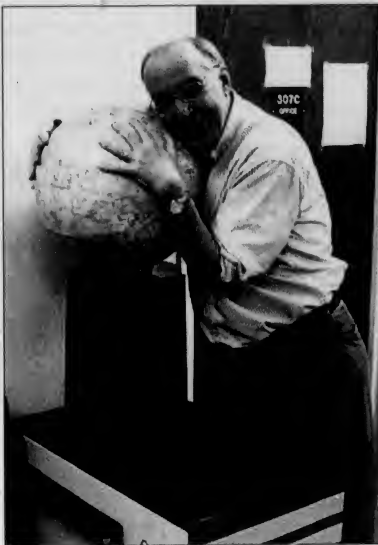
"Rosemary is the type of woman you look at and think 'That's what I want to be like when I grow up.' She's strong, intelligent, worldly, talented, considerate. The list goes on and on," said theatre major Jen Moss, a junior. "I feel fortunate I came to MWC when I did so that I could work under the instruction and guidance of this phenomenal woman."

Ingham is playfully nicknamed Yoda by her students, because of her love for knowledge and her passion for her art.

However, students aren't the only ones who will miss Ingham.

"Rosemary is a multi-talented educator and her retirement will leave a void in our department for quite some time," said David Hunt, associate professor of theatre. "She has built an almost 'cult following' of students who will miss her dearly."

The history department will also be losing a highly respected professor after this semester. After 33 years of teaching, Key Ryang will be leaving



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Marshall Bowen, who has taught at the college for 36 years, is one of three professors retiring after this semester.

Mary Washington College to spend time working on research involving the dynasties of China as well as studying modern Korean history. He said that he will definitely miss teaching, but agrees with Marshall Bowen that he wants to get out while he still has time for himself.

"I love MWC but it's time to leave," Ryang said. "The quality of students here is great and I have good relationships with people in the department."

Ryang plans to stay in Fredericksburg but, like Ingham, has plans to travel abroad with his wife.

Dana Angell, a junior, said she remembers how much she learned in Ryang's history classes.

"He is a very friendly man, he cares about his students and he's interested in progress and extends his relationship with them outside the classroom," Angell said. "He'll most definitely be missed around the department."

# Drew Lectures About Politics

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Looking ahead, she talked about Republican Sen. John McCain's continued campaign finance reform efforts and said that next month's Senate debate on the issue should be "interesting."

Farnsworth reiterated Drew's repeated suggestion that citizens contact their representatives.

"Elizabeth Drew's call to action is an important lesson for all of us. If we want a ban on soft money, if we want the kinds of reforms that John McCain has proposed, then we need to let our lawmakers know," he said.

Drew's final remarks gained the loudest applause of the evening.

"[As citizens] I want you to remember one thing: The nature and quality of our political life in this country, cannot be simply left to the politicians," Drew said.

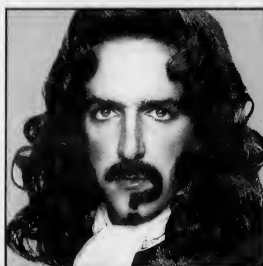
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Stephen Farnsworth, who organized the event, listens to Drew lecture.



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Q: Dear Question Marquis: My sister's boyfriend broke up with her over a year ago. But his voice is still on her answering machine. Should I tell her how pathetic this is? – Stephen in Annapolis

A: My advice here is going like this: It is not a problem, it is an opportunity. There is no truer friend of passion than the vulnerable rejected lover. You must simply play your cards correctly. I recommend a subtle approach to win her trust. Perhaps you can tell her about Questia. About how much more free time she will have when she's writing research papers if she does the research online. Free time that the two of you could use to, je ne sais pas, get to know each other better? If you know what I...wait—you said your sister's boyfriend? This is a terrible misunderstanding. I have got to stop skimming these questions.

Q: Dear Question Marquis: I am very interested in Questia. Could you please give me some more information about its exciting features? – TW in Houston

A: Zut alors! I think my employer has slipped this one in. But just by chance this is not how the case is, I will answer it briefly. Questia will have an extensive scholarly collection, and the full text of each book and journal article is all online. You just enter your topic and then you can instantly search through any book. And many of the author's own sources are, how you say, "hyperlinked." So you can follow the writer's train of thought, if you like. Also, quotes, footnotes and bibliographies are all done automatically. And, in a few months, Questia can be used to more efficiently groom racehorses. Or such is my understanding. That may be confidential information, so don't go gossiping it about like a bunch of Montesquieu's concubines. Now I wish I hadn't told you.

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Q: Dear Question Marquis: Well...why did you tell us? In both of your answers, you could have corrected your mistakes by using the delete key.

A: In life, there is no such thing as a delete key. Q.E.D., there is no delete key for writing my column. What's done is done, what's said is said. Vive moi! (Long live me!)

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